GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:357
ANSWERED ON:22.02.2001
COMMERCIAL UTILISATION OF RAILWAY LAND
M. JAGANNATH;SUBODH MOHITE

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have formulated an action plan for commercial utilisation of vacant railway land and sites;

(b) if so, whether the Railways have identified such land and sites;

(c) if so, the details thereof, zone-wise;

(d) the criteria fixed for utilisation of such land and sites;

(e) whether General Managers of Zonal Railways have been given discretionary powers to release such land and sites; and

(f) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

(a) to (f): A statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (f) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 357 BY SHRI SUBODH MOHITE AND DR.MANDA JAGANNATH TO BE ANSWERED ON 22.02.2001 REGARDING COMMERCIAL UTILISATION OF RAILWAY LAND.

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b) & (c): Yes, Sir. Zone-wise details are as under:-

Zone	Locations Identified
Central Railway	Thane, Kalyan,Dadar, Kurla, Carnac Bunder
Eastern Railway	Sealdah(New Building),Sealdah (Old Building),Howrah Station, Salt Gollah(Kolkata), Bidhan Nagar Stn.,Old Diamond Harbour, Jadavpur Stn.,
Northern Railway	New Delhi, Chankayapuri, Vidhan Sabha Marg/Lucknow, Nirala Nagar (Kanpur), Delhi Sarai Rohilla, Saharanpur, Khanalampur Yard, (Saharanpur), Ambala Cantt Station, Chandigarh, Kishanganj T.A.office, PRS Building(Charbagh, Lucknow)
North Eastern Railway	Badshash Nagar(Lucknow)
Northeast Frontier Railway	Siliguri Uzan Bazaar(Guwahati)
Southern Railway	Chennai Central Station, MTP Stns.(Chennai), Bangalore Cantt.,Coimbatore Jn., Salem, Sattur, Kovilpatti, Oddanchatram, Chennai Beach, Mount Road Booking office (Chennai), Victoria Crescent (Chennai)
South Central Railway	Secunderabad, Hyderabad, Begampett Station, Old Godavari Railway Station, land near F.A. & C.A.O Office(Secunderabad)
South Eastern Railway	Adra, Tatichetlapalem and Chavulamadum(Vishakhapatnam)
Western Railway	Andheri, Borivili, Bandra, Old Jamnagar Stn.
Metro Railway, Kolkata	Metro HQ. and stations on the Metro Railway(Kolkata)

(d) & (e): General Managers have been delegated powers to execute small schemes ofcommercial nature upto the limit of 1000 sq.m. built up area in other than four Metropolitan Cities. They are also authorised to award Studies/Consultanciesconnected with property development with M/s RITES/ M/s IRCON, the two Railway PSUs, uptolimit of Rs. 50 lakhs per case subject to a maximum of Rs. 2.5 crore in a year.

(f): Utilisation of lands for commercial purposes is decided on the basis of a professional study which projects the likely returns from the property and the benefits which Railways can draw therefrom.